

U. S. Government Car and Truck Rental Agreements

The US Government Car and Truck Rental Agreements provide special rental benefits for Federal Government employees and other authorized personnel on official business. Approximately 5000 car rental locations and three approved truck rental companies are doing business for the Federal Government. Benefits under the Agreements include the following:

- Free collision damage waiver
- Unlimited mileage.
- Airport tax and fee included in rate (excluding state and local taxes)
- Additional drivers no fees
- Under age drivers, at no added cost for cars only
- Minimum age 18

Types of rental trucks:

- Pick-up trucks
- Cargo vans
- 10 foot trucks
- 15 foot trucks
- 24 foot trucks

All authorized drivers of the rental vehicles must possess a valid driver's license.

Q. What is the US Government Car Rental Agreement?

A. Agreement between (Military) Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC) and participating car rental companies to provide quality rentals to official Government travelers.

Q. Who can use the Agreement?

A. Employees of the Federal Government on official business with car rental needs.

Q. Why is it necessary to rent from companies participating in the Agreement?

A. Under the Agreement, Collision Damage Waiver (CDW) and other benefits are included in the rate. The Agreement provides benefits and cost saving to the Government over and above corporate benefits.

Q. Can I use the program for personal travel?

A. Car rental companies may extend Government rates to personal rentals however, CDW is not extended. Travelers may be able to obtain more competitive personal rental rates directly from the company.

Q. I want to go on personal leave while on TDY can I use the rental car?

A. Usage of an officially rented vehicle is for Government business only.

Vehicle-damage is not covered under the Agreement if:

1. Obtained through fraud or misrepresentation
2. Driver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs
3. Used for illegal purpose
4. Pushing or towing other vehicles
5. Carrying passenger or property for hire
6. Used for military training activities involving live artillery fire
7. Operated for test, race or contest purposes
8. Operated by unauthorized drivers
9. Driving across international boundaries unless authorized at time of rental
10. Theft of the vehicle and the renter cannot produce the keys or proof the keys were stolen
11. Driving off paved or maintained roads

What to do in case of an accident:

- Notify the police and obtain a copy of the police report if applicable
- Contact the rental car company and complete an accident report if applicable
- Contact the government office authorizing your car rental

Rental Tips:

- Never leave or hide keys in a vehicle
- Lock all doors and take the keys with you when leaving the vehicle unattended
- Refill gas tank before returning the vehicle
- Remember treat the vehicle as if it were your own. The vehicle is your responsibility
- Make all rental reservations through your Commercial Travel Offices.

For assistance with complaints in connection with rentals, additional information on the program or to obtain copies of the US Government Car/ Truck Rental Agreement, contact SDDC.

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